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Grooves"

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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 19, 2002**

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2002, for the above-identified patent application. Enclosed please find a two-month extension for the filing of this paper and a check for \$400.00 for the associated fee. Please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 19-26 without prejudice.

## **RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Claims 1-36 are pending in the application. Claims 1-36 stand subject to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 wherein:

**Group I:** Claims 1-18 and 27-36, drawn to an accelerator sensor, classifiedin class 73, subclass 514.32; and

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